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Empowering
regions for climate
resilience

CLIMAAAX InfoDay



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dedicated Q&A moments or write in the chat!**



Agenda

Time	Segment
13:00 – 13:05	Welcome and agenda-setting.
13:05 – 13:20	Project overview.
13:20 – 13:30	Q&A
13:30 – 13:50	The importance of Climate Risk Assessments
13:50 – 14:00	Q&A
14:00 – 14:15	CLIMAAX Toolbox: A Comprehensive Introduction.
14:15 – 14:25	Q&A
14:25 – 14:45	Introduction to the Pilot Regions
14:45 – 15:05	Introduction to the Open call
15:05 – 15:15	Closing remarks and next steps



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*CLIMate risk And vulnerability
Assessment framework and
toolboX*

***The importance of regional
Climate Risk assessments***

Bart van den Hurk
Frederiek Sperna Weiland

Regional Climate Risk Assessments are very diverse

Many challenges



Multiple data sources



Our motto:
standardized flexibility

Many regions



The pillars of CLIMAAX



Framework for regional CRA

→ supporting civil protection and climate adaptation

Toolbox and pilots

→ testing data needs and diversity of requests

Cascading fund

→ Financial support for >60 regions

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The CLIMAAX framework

Norms & principles

- Inventory of experience, best practices
- Consultation in regions & sectors

Practical guidance

- Past and future trends
- Risk indicators & viewpoints

Follow-up

- uptake into DRM and climate adaptation strategy



The CRA toolbox principles

- **Base layer: similar to Risk Data Hub (regional climate/exposure/vulnerability data from pan-European datasets) (non-expert user)**
- **Dashboard layer: online risk assessment tool with local data (local user)**
- **Download layer: local manipulation of all scripts and data (advanced user)**



The cascading fund

Financial support for regions

- At least 60 regions & communities
- Criteria include diversity and needs

Formal call procedure

- Selection procedure & criteria

1st Call open

8 December 2023 – 8 March 2024

- 2 rounds
- 2yr projects finalize autumn 2026



WORK TO BE PROPOSED IN THE APPLICATION

M6

**PHASE 1:
COMMON
METHODOLOGY**
applicable at
regional/local scale
in Europe

Application of the
toolbox

M18

**PHASE 2: REFINED
REGIONAL/LOCAL
HR ANALYSIS AND
RISK ASSESSMENT**

Local data and
concepts

M24

**PHASE 3: BETTER
REGIONAL/LOCAL
ADAPTATION
STRATEGIES AND
RISK MANAGEMENT
PLANS**

Link to adaptation &
DRM



What do we want to learn from this?



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Cascading fund

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Learning by doing

5 Pilot regions

à Site visits revealed key issues

à Helping with shaping toolbox & application

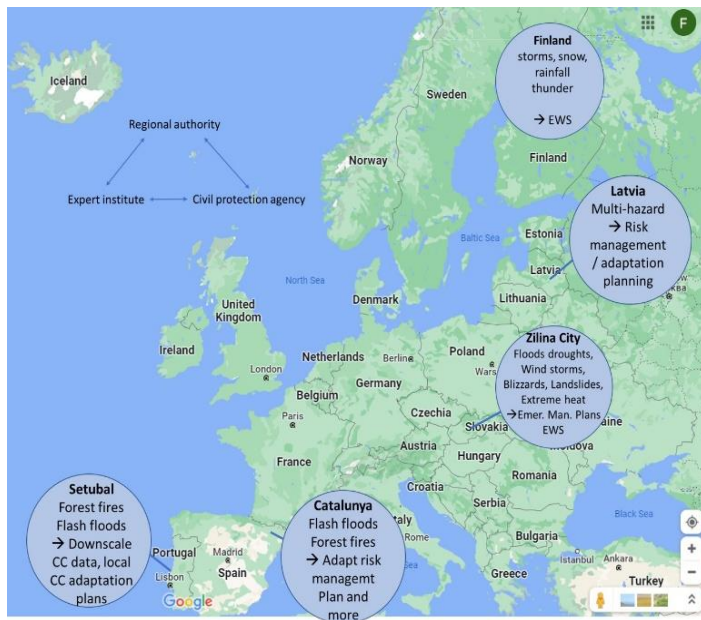


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Learning by doing

5 Pilot regions

à Demo for applicants



Demo workshop
~29-31 January
Setubal (PT) + online



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Synthesis of regional CRAs

Lessons to be learned

- Finetuning the regional support service
- Exploit the market potential
- CRA standardisation and connection to European policies

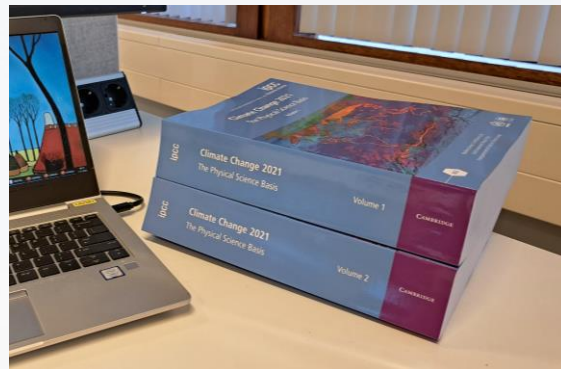


Legacy for my role in IPCC

Co-chair Working group 2

Action holders could recognize themselves better

→ Assessment via a set of *decision archetypes*



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Regional emphasis implies:

Local detail

Relevant climate drivers

of requests

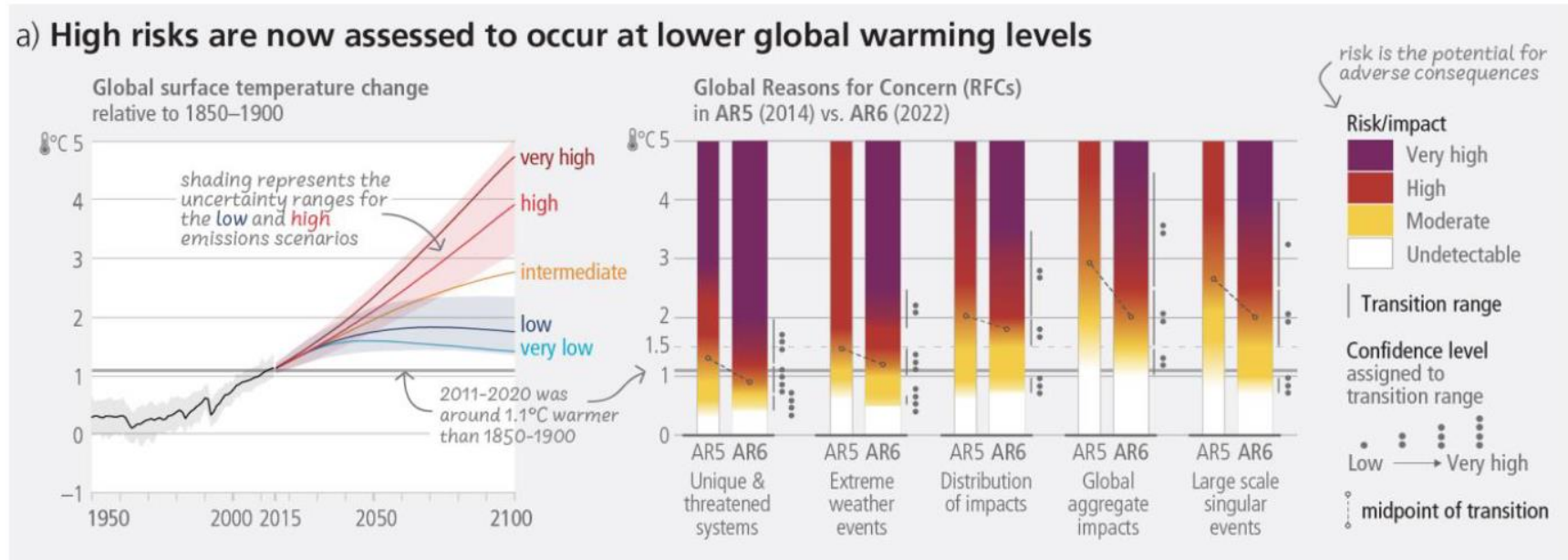
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Risks are increasing with every increment of warming

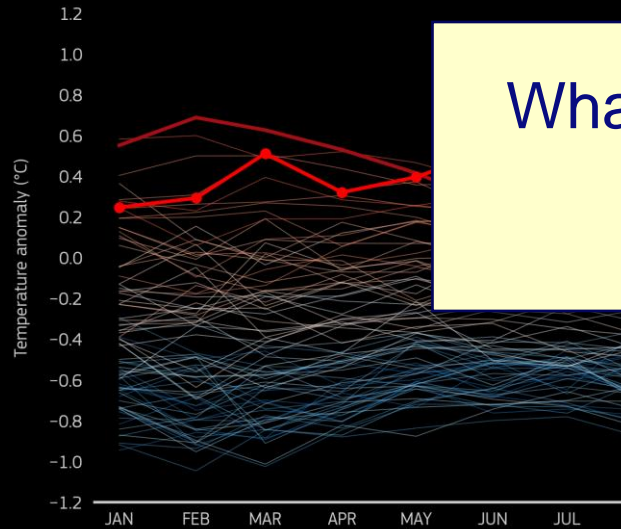
a) High risks are now assessed to occur at lower global warming levels



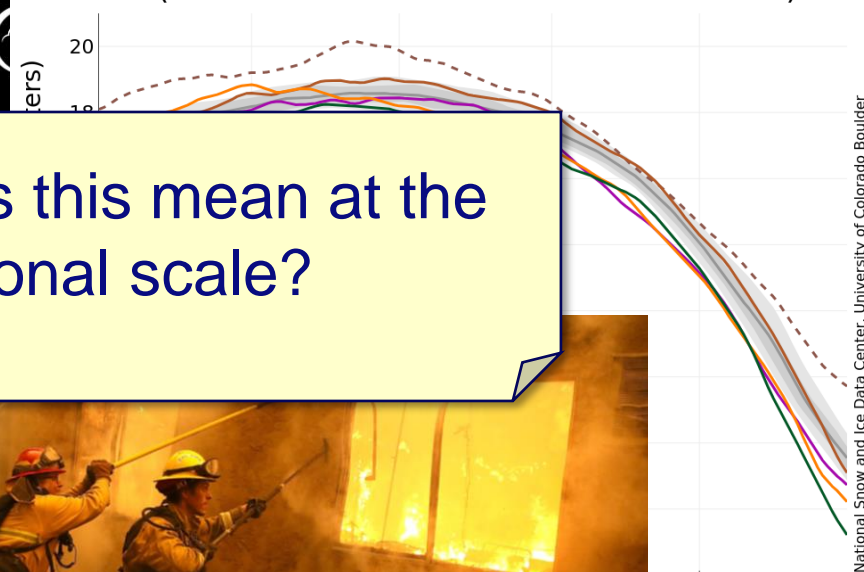
Antarctic Sea Ice Extent (Area of ocean with at least 15% sea ice)

GLOBAL SURFACE AIR TEMPERATURE ANOMALIES

Data: ERA5 1940–2023 • Reference period: 1991–2020 • Credit: C3S/ECMWF



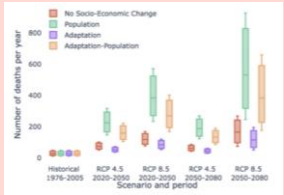
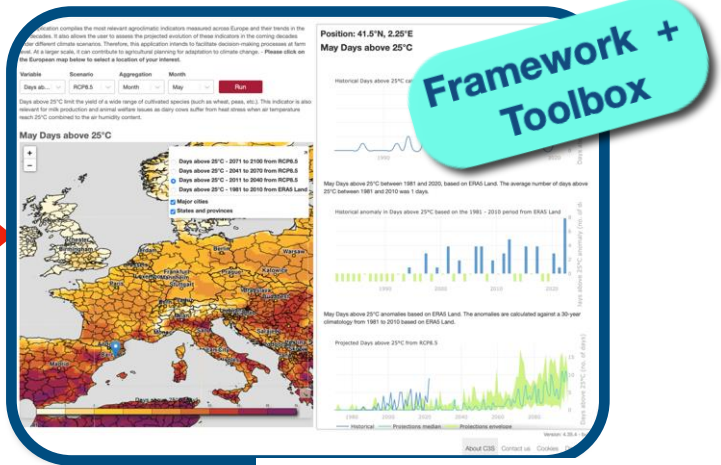
What does this mean at the regional scale?



Dec
01 Nov 2023

Floods
Flash floods
Landslides
Wildfires
Heatwaves
Coldwaves
Droughts
Wind storms
Snow falls...

METHODOLOGIES to
 assess the Increase of
Impacts

Framework + Toolbox

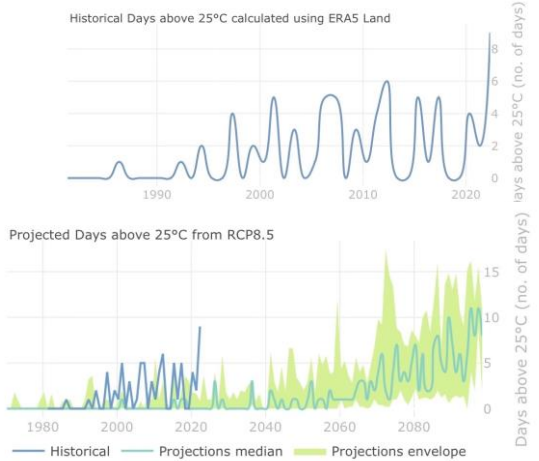
FOR ANY HAZARD

- Define a set of Climatic Indicators related to the variables triggering the different hazards
- Be able to calculate them in the PAST
- And in the FUTURE (projections)
- Pre-calculate these Indicators thoroughly => **NON BIASED projections**
- Be able to easy extract and represent them at any location

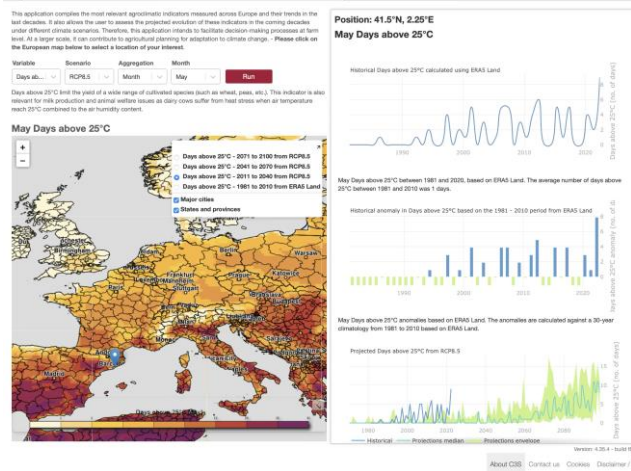
PAST
 ● ERA5 reanalysis

FUTURE
 ● NON-BIASED EURO-CORDEX dataset on different RCPs

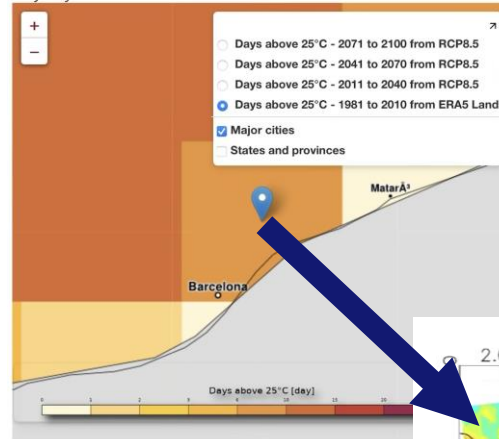
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 May Days above 25°C



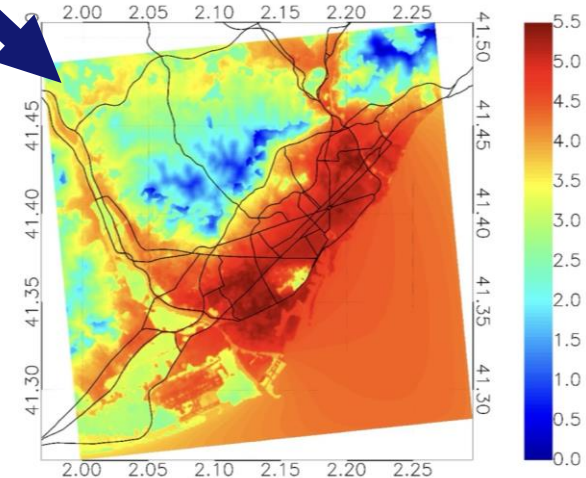
Need of downscaling and include local data



May Days above 25°C



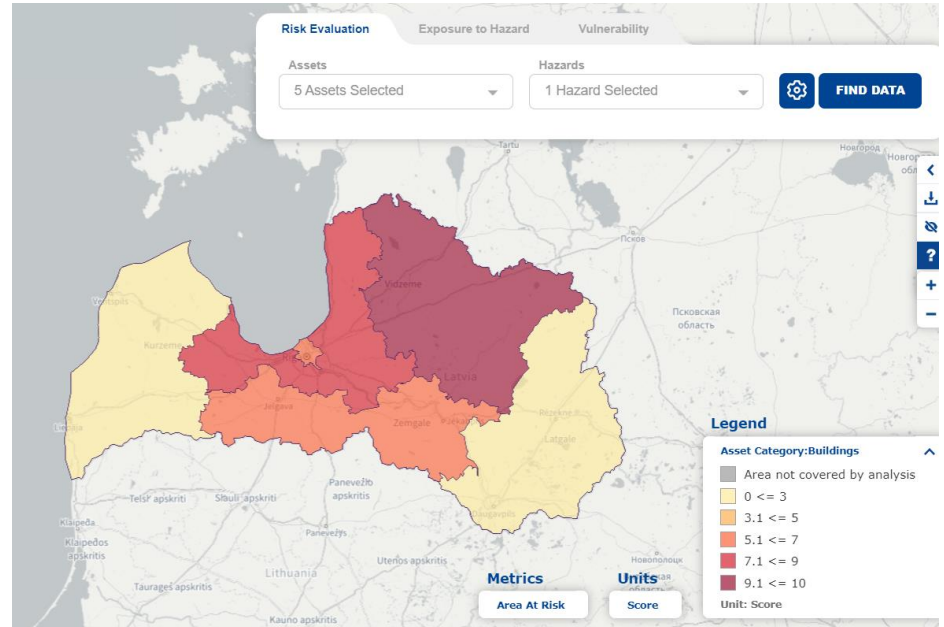
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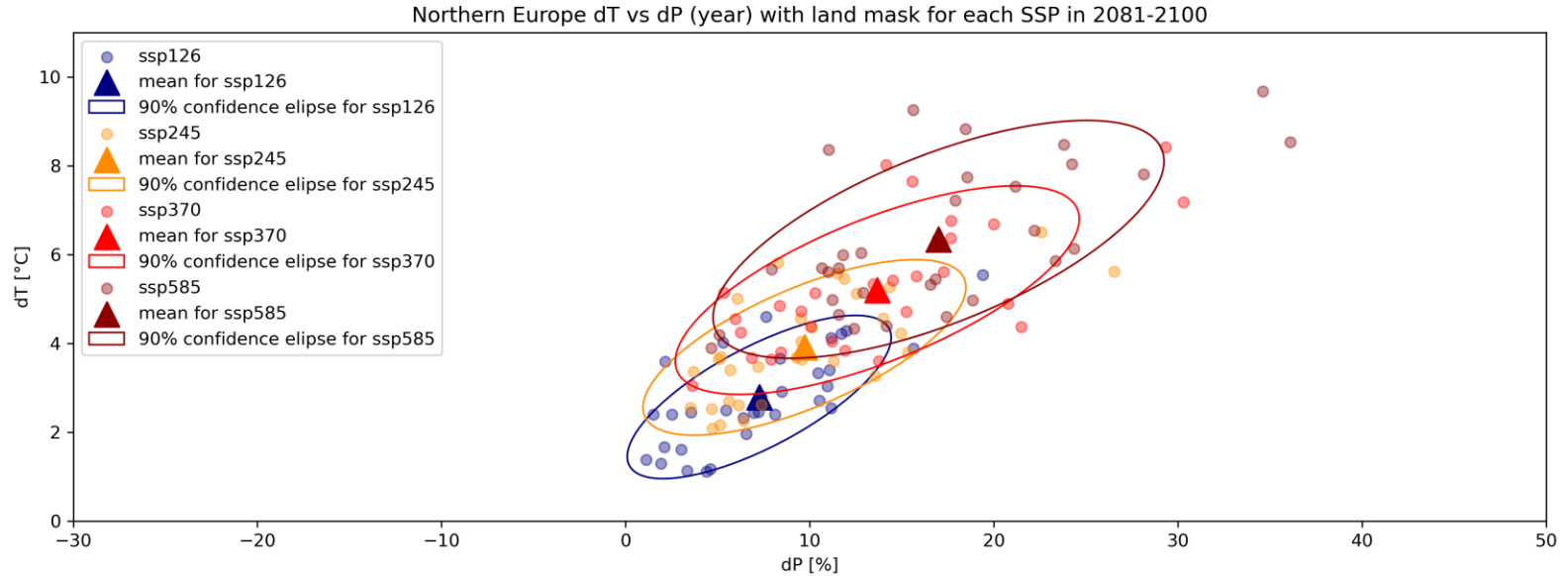
Need to support local downscaling and data integration at local/city level

Capturing local climate trends

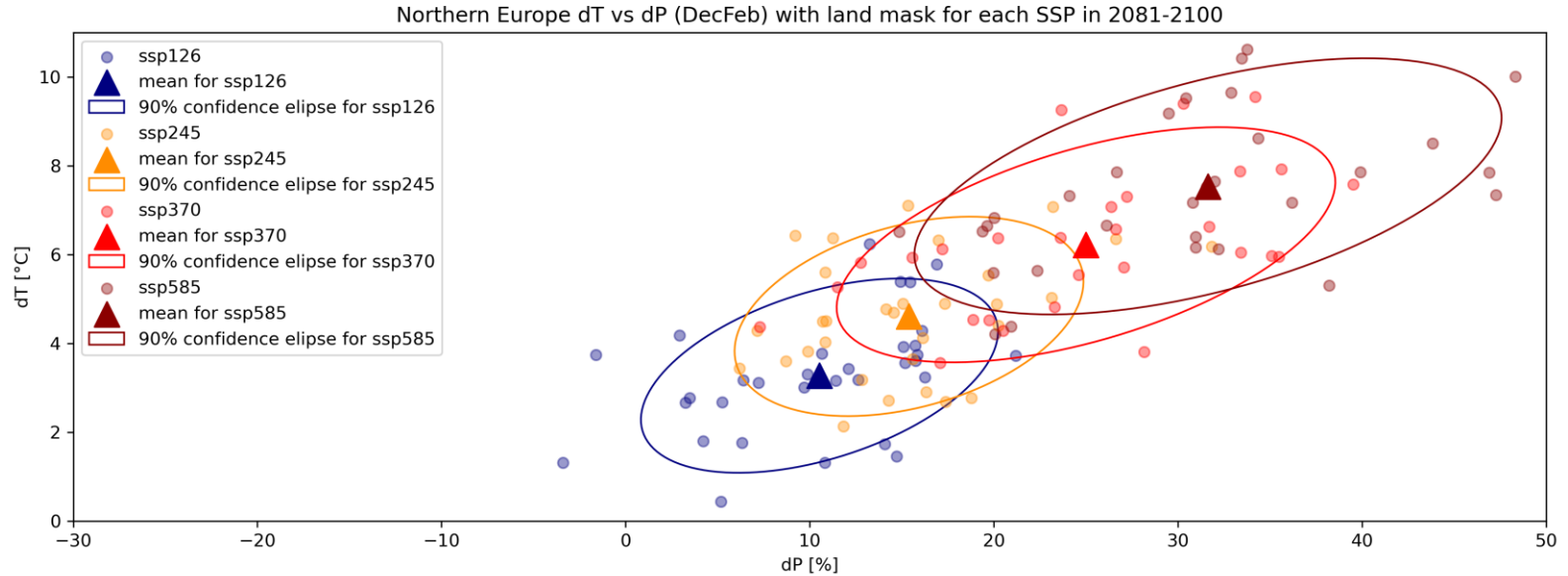
- The example of Latvia flood risk
- Spring floods due to snow melt
- Summer floods due to high precipitation



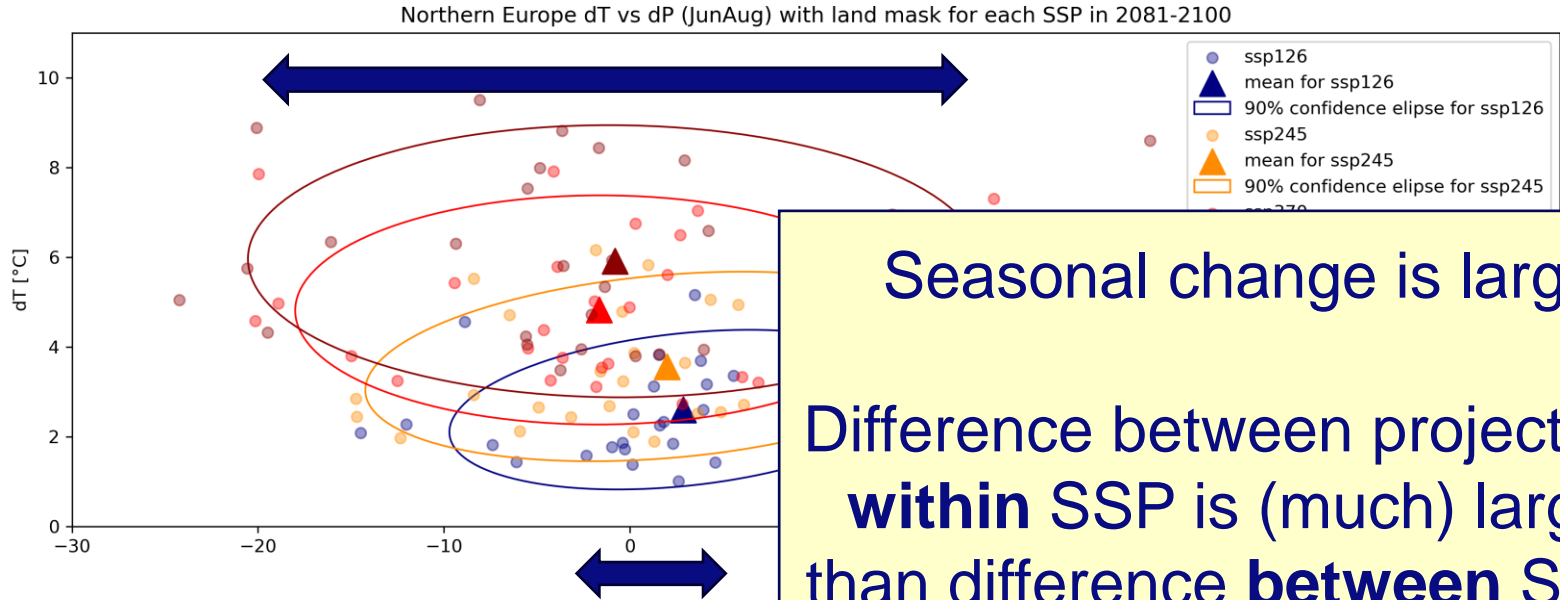
Change in regional temperature and precipitation (CMIP6)



Change in regional temperature and precipitation (CMIP6) – winter



Change in regional temperature and precipitation (CMIP6) – summer



Contact info

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CLIMAAX toolbox

A Comprehensive Introduction

Milana Vučković, Fredrik Wetterhall, ECMWF
Ted Buskop, Deltares

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Today

- What *is* the toolbox?
- What does the toolbox look like?
- How can you use the toolbox?



What *is* the toolbox?

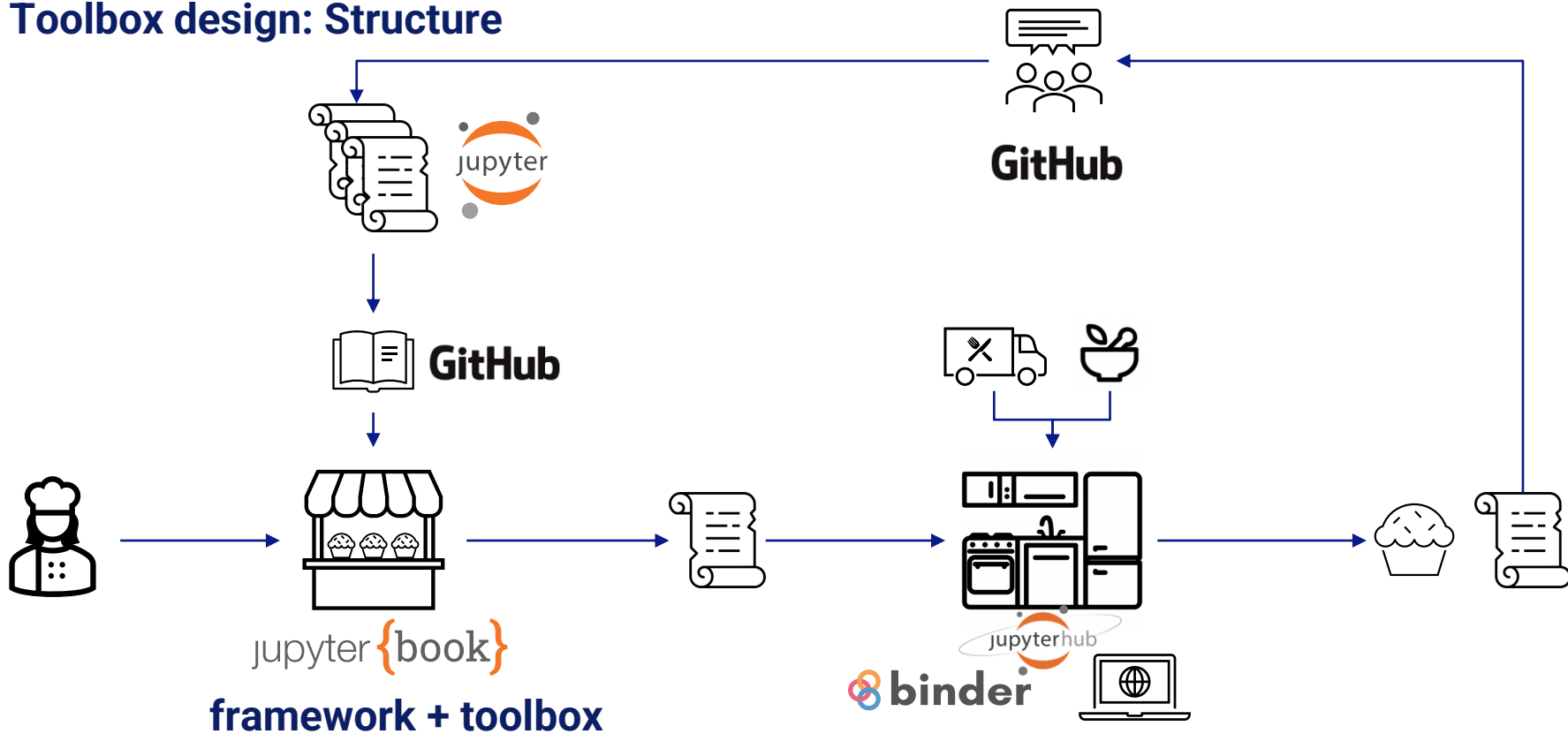
Principles & Structure



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Toolbox design: Structure



What does the toolbox *look* like?

First design







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First design: Bakery store

A **website** where all

- cookbooks 
- recipes 
- ingredients  

are shown and explained



CLIMAAX Framework and Toolbox

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Scoping

Context setting
Objectives and criteria
Risk assessment principles
Risk concepts

Risk identification

Previous work
EU risks sets
CRA Datasets

Risk analysis

Risk calculation overview
Introduction to the tools
Risk recipes

Key Risks Assessment

Comparing risks



CLIMAAX Framework and Toolbox

A framework and collection of tools developed for the [CLIMAAX](#) (CLIMate risk and vulnerability Assessment framework and toolbox) Horizon Europe project.



CLIMAAX builds upon existing risk assessment frameworks, methods and tools, and promotes the use of datasets and service platforms for local and regional scale deployment. It develops a robust and coordinated framework of consistent, harmonised and comparable risk assessments.

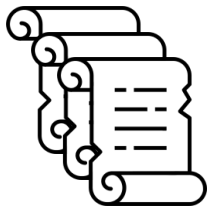
CLIMAAX framework and toolbox are designed to contribute to the harmonization and consolidation of the practice of climate risk assessment (CRA) by providing:

- A **standardized CRA framework** built on current community experience and best-practices.
- A **Toolbox for conducting risk analyses**, which hosts data, models and utilities and provides access to European and global open data archives integrated with local data and procedures.

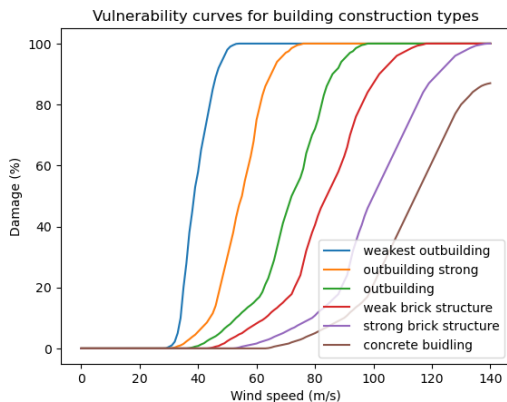
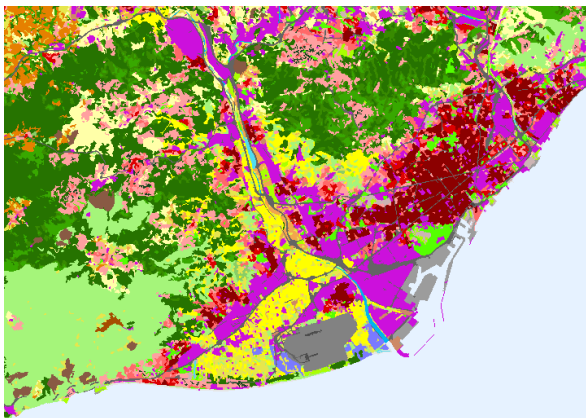
jupyter {book}



First design: Risk recipes



- Exploring recipes by Hazard, Exposure and Vulnerability
- Calculate risk
- Exploring CRA outcomes



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Flood workflow

Risk assessment methodology

Deterministic flood risk is calculated as a combination of flood extent maps of different return periods and flood damage (based on Rojas et al., 2013)

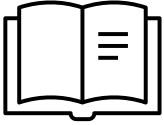
- River flood extent and water depth: available from the [Copernicus Land Monitoring Service](#) for different return periods. Flood extent map of 100m resolution
- Land-use information: The land cover map is available from the [Copernicus Land Monitoring Service](#)
- Flood damage: assessed as a combination between flood extent/water depths and damage curve (available [here](#)). For each pixel, the water depths are used as input in the damage curve to assess the damage, together with different land use and country.
- Flood affected population is assessed by overlaying the [Global Human Settlement Population dataset](#) with the flood inundation maps for a given return map. The data are available at different spatial resolutions (100 m to 1 km) and different time steps (1975 to 2030). Another potential population dataset with 100 m spatial resolution is available [here](#). Future population projections are available from Wang et al. 2022 at 1 km spatial resolution [here](#)

These are examples of possible datasets, the idea is that a user could apply the methodology even with their own data

Probabilistic assessment of flood damage is calculated for different return periods (i.e. 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 250 and 500 years). In this way, damage-probability curves can be obtained at the grid cell by interpolating the damage estimates between the different recurrence intervals considered. The expected annual damages at a given grid cell due to river flooding are thus the integral of the damage-probability curve. Flood protection can be included in the expected annual damages estimation by truncating the damage-probability curves at the corresponding protection level (e.g. design flood with return period of 100 years). The integral of the remaining part after truncation quantifies the expected annual damages and



First design: Risk cookbooks



Each cookbook contains:



Various risk assessment recipes



A supply closet for data supplied by us



Files for installation

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Repository for collaboration on workflows for floods hazard

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milanavuckovic Update environment.yml c2e556b on Sep 27 23 commits

File	Description	Commit Date
.gitignore	update gitignore to include results folder	3 months ago
FLOOD.ipynb	neater damage curve plot	2 months ago
JRC_damage_curves.csv	added transport and road damage curves	2 months ago
LICENSE	Initial commit	6 months ago
LUISA_damage_info_curves.xlsx	Added variability in paramaters construct+content	2 months ago
README.md	Update README.md with instructions how to run the notebook	4 months ago
environment.yml	Update environment.yml	2 months ago

README.md

launch binder

FLOODS

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How to run

Running on Binder

GitHub



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First design: Kitchen



Three levels of customisation:



binder No installation, small alterations, does not save work



Do alterations, save work, and upload local data but stay within a closed environment



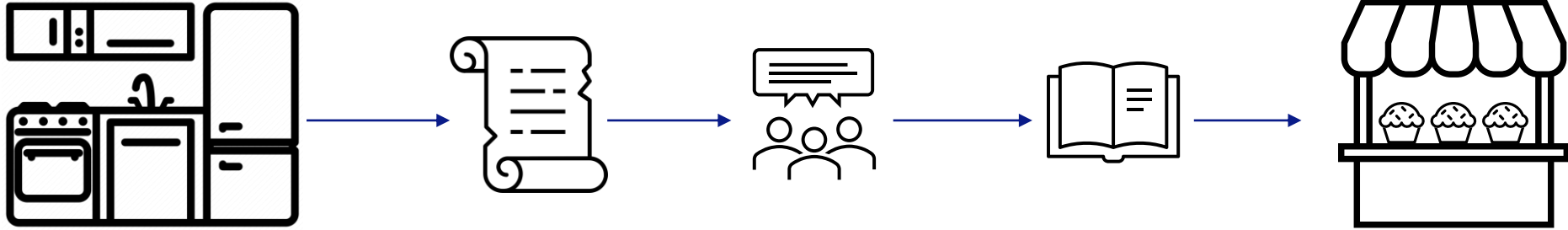
Download and install on computer for complete flexibility and complexity



First design: Co-create



From a chef's kitchen to the bakery's favourite



How can you *use* the toolbox?

The Demo

Have a first look:

<https://toolbox.climamax.eu/intro.html>



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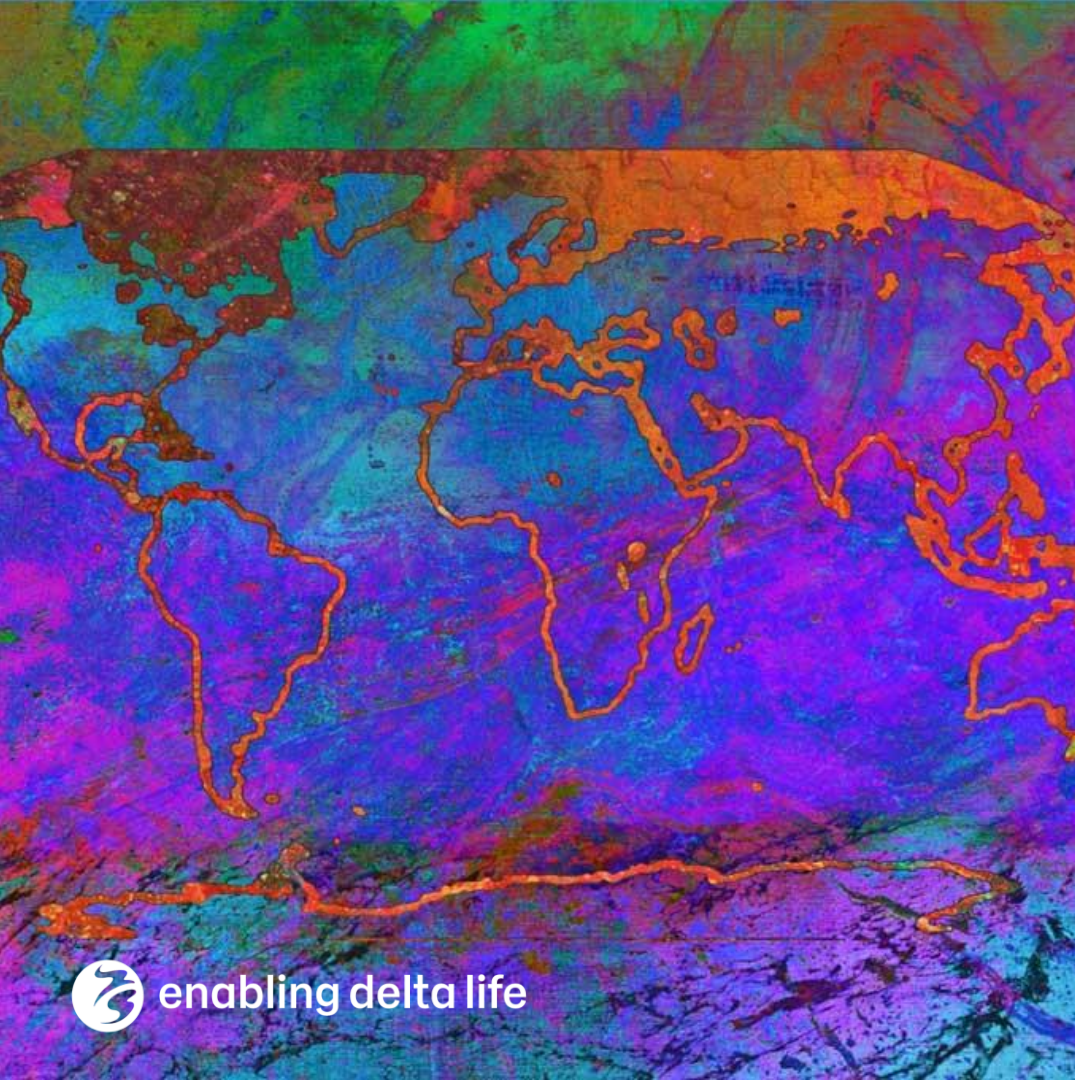
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Q&A



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Introduction to the Pilot Regions



Finnish pilot

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Juha Laitinen, Emergency Services Academy Finland
Riikka Salmi, Emergency Services Academy Finland



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Leadership of Major Accidents and Crisis Situations –Exercise

- **Organizator:** Emergency Services Academy Finland (ESAF)
- **Theme of the training in 2024:** Training situation and command center operatios, in accordance future guidelines
- **Participants:** Officers and Sub-Officers, Instructors, Police, Defence forces, Fire Departments and Border Guard Officers
- **Location of training:** Situational center at ESAF
- **Crisis Situation** will be given for students as a normal rescue alarm and they have to train their leadership in the crisis and also co-operation with various authorities
- **Finnish pilot** will be arranged within this exercise



Leadership of Major Accidents and Crisis Situations –Exercise

- **Finnish pilot is executed** in co-operation with the **Ministry of the Interior, Finnish Meteorological Institute and Emergency Services Academy**
- **Scenario 1.** Major forest fire at 2024
- **Scenario 2.** Major forest fire at 2124
- **The aim of the pilot** is to test by the toolbox how climate change will change forest fire risks during the next 100 years.
- **Finnish Meteorological Institute (FMI)** will provide information for the different scenarios by
 - **Natural disaster warning system LUOVA** provides real time meteorological informations and for Incident Commander
 - **Spreading model of fire** will give information of propagation of fire and evacuations needs
 - **Spreading model of contaminants** will give information of the spreading of contaminants





Leadership of Major Accidents and Crisis Situations – Exercise

OUTCOME

- To see the impact of climate change on forest firefighting in future
- How systems deserves first responders and how them should be improved
- What new resources will be needed in the future for extinguishing forest fires
- Information to support decision-making and understanding about challenges, what we will face in near future due to climate change



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The region of Catalonia

Pilot in CLIMAAX

Ainara Casajus Valles, DGPC

**Civil Protection Directorate, Interior Department
Regional Government of Catalonia**

November 2023



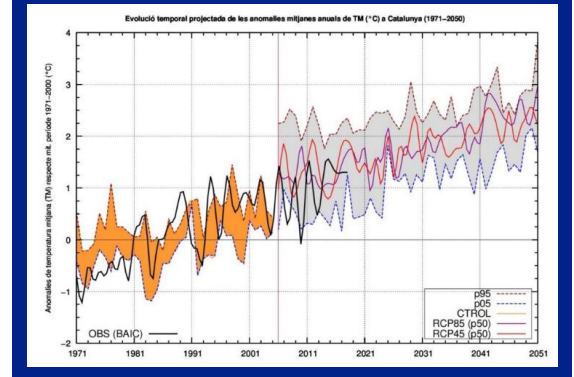
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Catalonia region

- 8 million people, in almost 1000 municipalities.
- Wide geographic diversity.
- Decentralised state model, where regions adopt most of the planning and response instruments.
- A warmer and drier region is expected in the future.
- The «Catalan Strategy to adapt to climate change» calls for natural hazards and civil protection actions to be further studied and tackled through sectorial plans and land-use and urban planning.



Needs and options



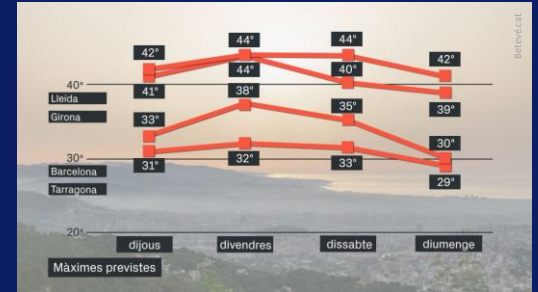
Wildfires

New areas at risk?
Longer wildfire season?
Days of extreme danger?
Changes in the fire behaviour?



Flash floods

More frequent torrential episodes? Reduction of the return periods? New assets at risk? Reduction of the time to protect population?



Heatwaves

More frequent and longer episodes?
Need to discuss thresholds?

Preparedness and response to disaster risk: recommendations for land-use planning, design of EWS, evacuation/confinement, review plans and protocols (with other operative teams), etc.



Pilot on-site visit September 2023



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Empowering Regions for Climate Resilience

Cristina Coelho, Setubal Municipality

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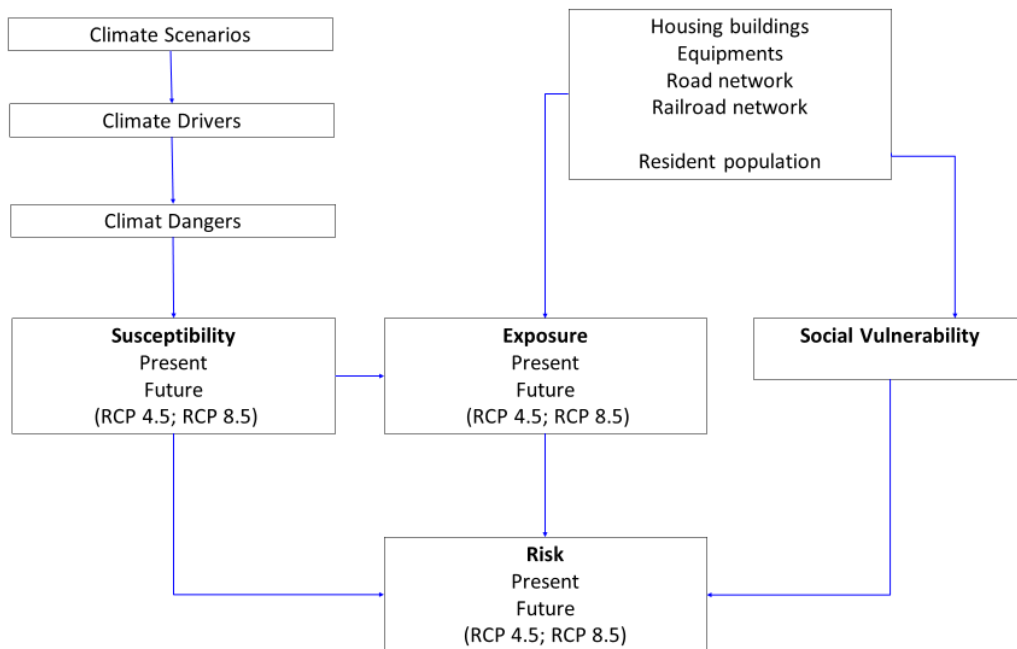
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PLAAC – Arrábida

Local Adaptation Plans for Climate Change



Methodology





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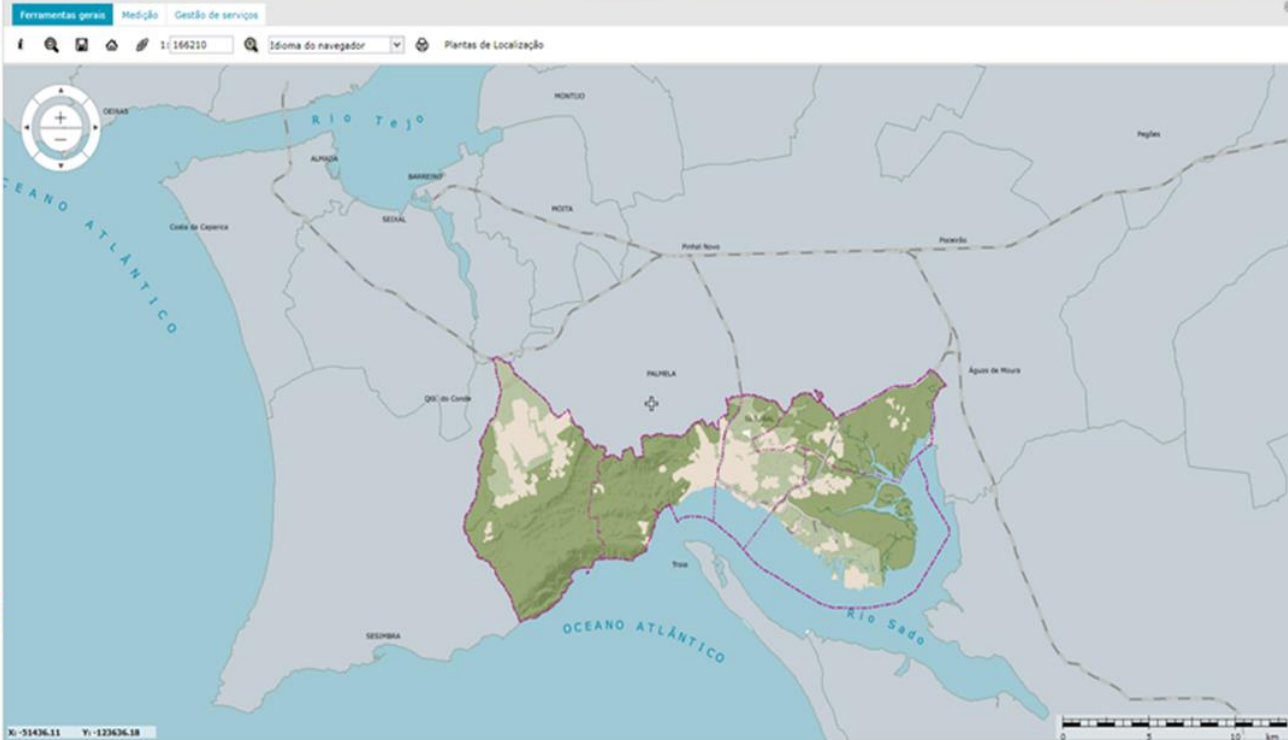
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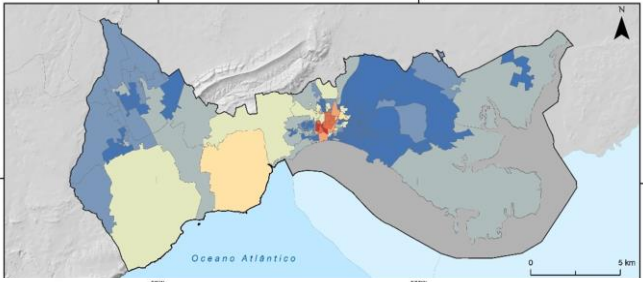


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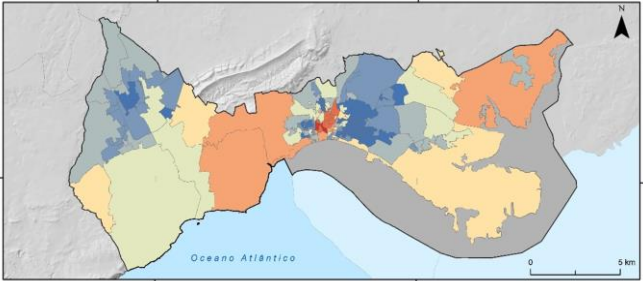


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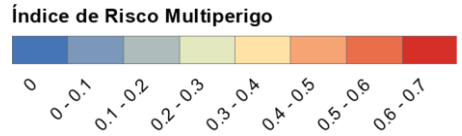
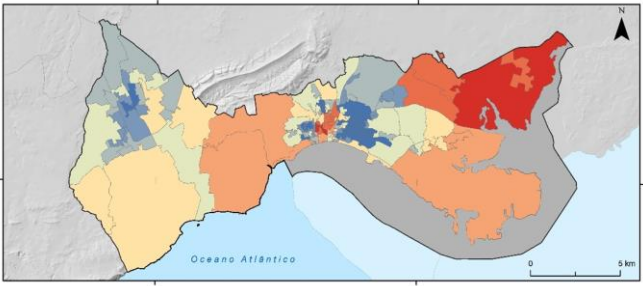
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FUTURE (2100)
(Scenario RCP 4.5)

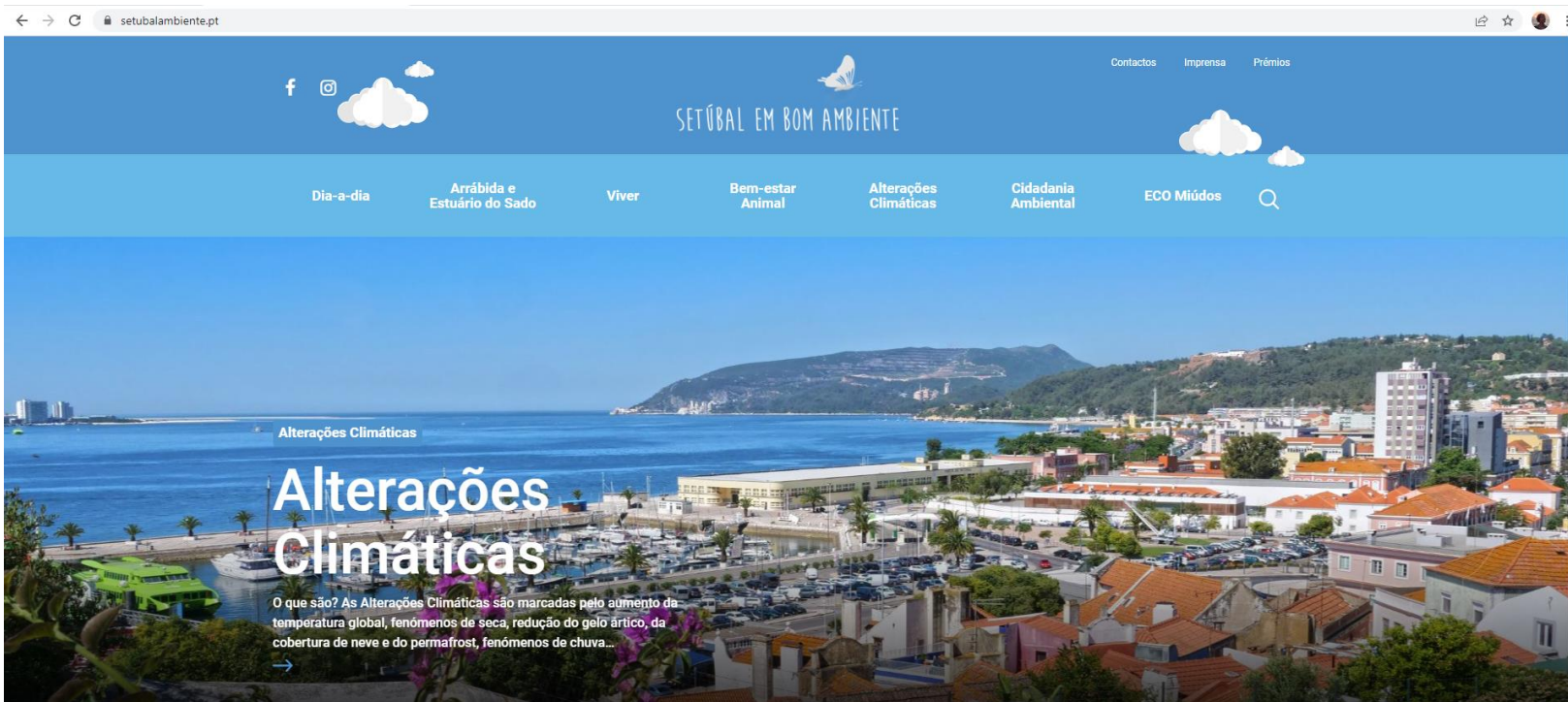


FUTURE(2100)
(Scenario RCP 8.5)



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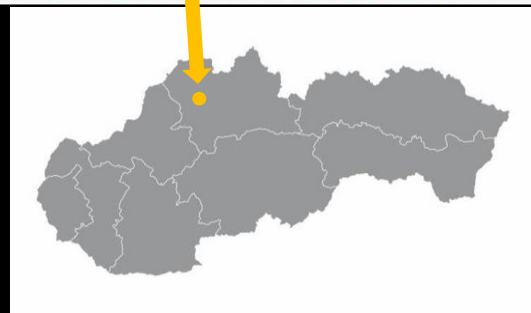
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An aerial night view of the city of Žilina, Slovakia. The city is illuminated with a variety of colorful lights, including purple, pink, and yellow. A prominent feature is a tall, illuminated tower in the center. The text 'ŽILINA pilot city in CLIMAX project' is overlaid in the center of the image.

ŽILINA pilot city
in CLIMAX project



Basics about Žilina



- 80 000 inhabitants
- Confluence of 3 rivers
- Average temperature:
17,3 °C (Jul) / -3,1 °C (Jan)
- Annual rainfall: 760-780 mm
- Snow cover: 66-75 days/year



CLIMAAX Project for Žilina

- **Goal:**

Improving city's climate change risk assessment and adaptation via expert systems for:

- Risk events forecast
- Recommendations for preventing and mitigating the effects of risk events using actual available SW tools and available data integrated from local, national and global sources

- **Special benefit:**

Getting a European perspective on the issue, an opportunity to tune own systems via interactions with experts from other parts of Europe





CLIMAAX Project for Žilina – End Users

- *Risks and damage events managers:*
improving system of risk events predicting and reacting
- *Environment Department:*
improving climate change adaptation strategy and activities (road maintenance, greenery)
- *City Architects office:*
improving city development plans & supporting their statements towards citizen applications
- *Citizens and visitors:*
improving protection against climate change events





CLIMAAX Project for Žilina Focusing on

A | Urban floods – pluvial and fluvial

A | Extreme heat

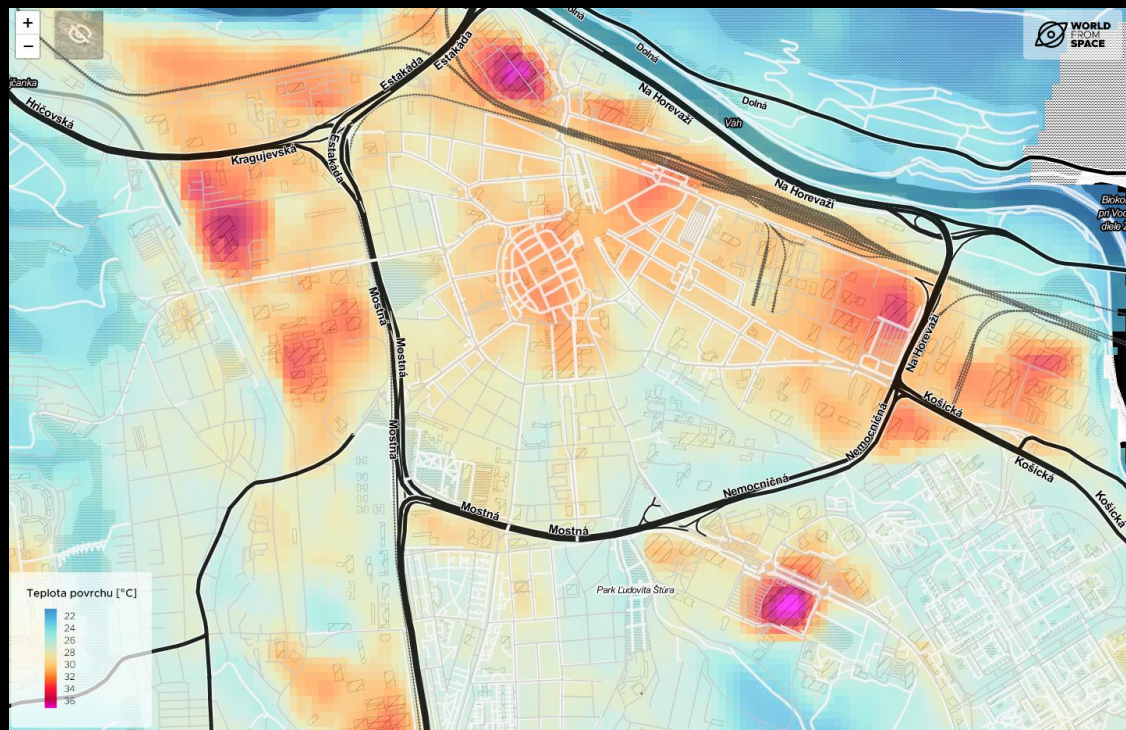
B | Landslides

B | Wind storms

B | Droughts

C | Blizzards

C | Forest fires





Currently...



Collecting **local** data on time, place, intensity & **national** data on

- Flooding events in Žilina
- Over-heated places in the city

Communicating with

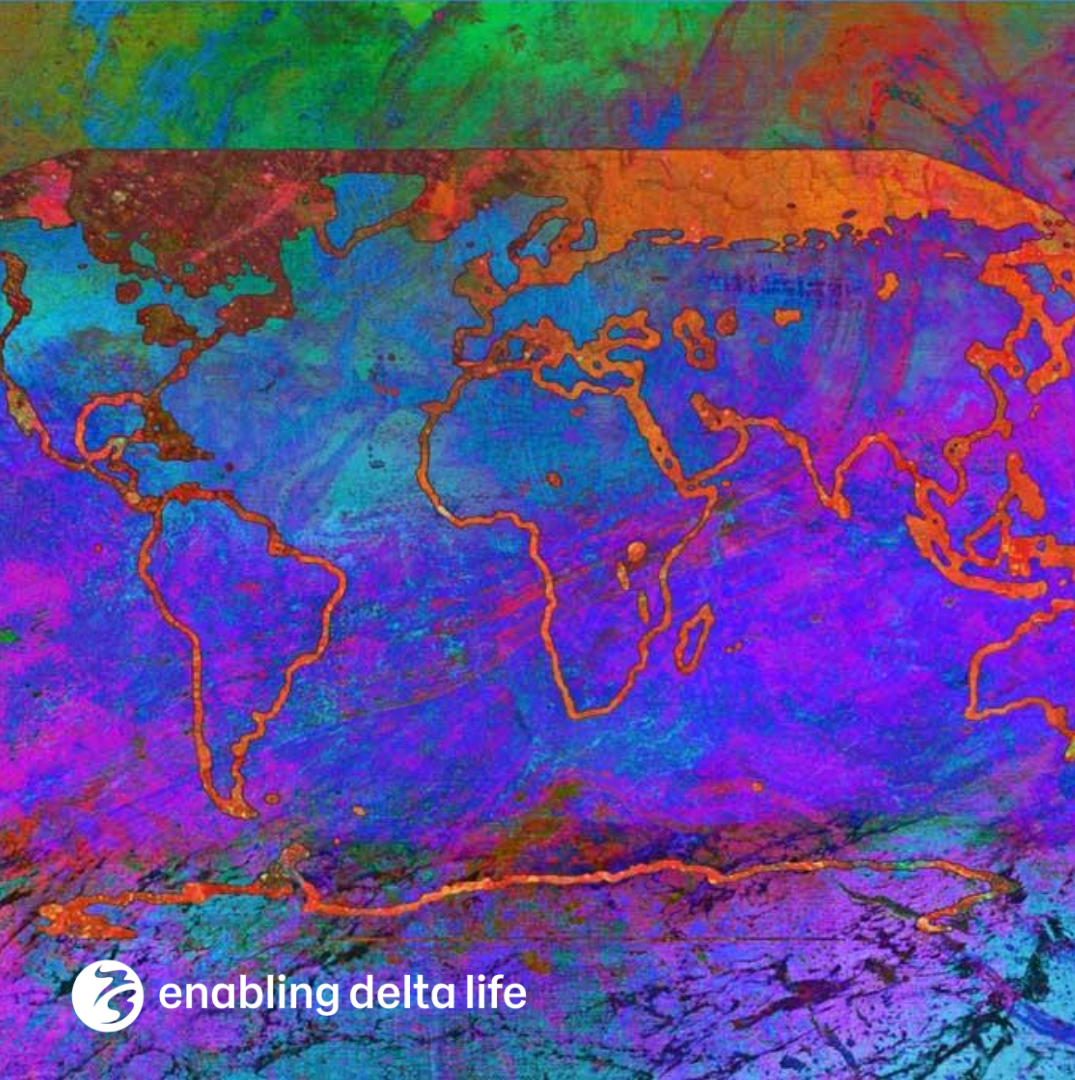
- City's fire and rescue service
- Slovak hydro-meteorological institute
- University of Žilina
- Žilina region office
- Slovak Environmental Agency



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climate ready regions

Assessment framework and toolbox

Introduction to the Open Call

Anca Marin – Funding box



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CLIMAAX Financial Support to Third Parties

2 Open Calls for regions and communities

- At least **60 regions & communities** selected
- Criteria include **diversity and needs**
- **Support** during the application process
- Guidance for the **framework and toolbox**
- **Transparent** selection procedure & criteria
- Up to **22 months** support programme
- Support in the **procurement process** for external, specialized services



OPEN CALL FOR REGIONS and COMMUNITIES



- Maximum funding per project: **up to EUR 300 000**
- Duration of the support programme: **22 months**
- Total budget for this call: **EUR 5 400 000**
- Single stage submission: *est.* **8 December 2023 - 8 March 2024**
- **Online** submission
- Only **English** language
- Budget in **EURO**



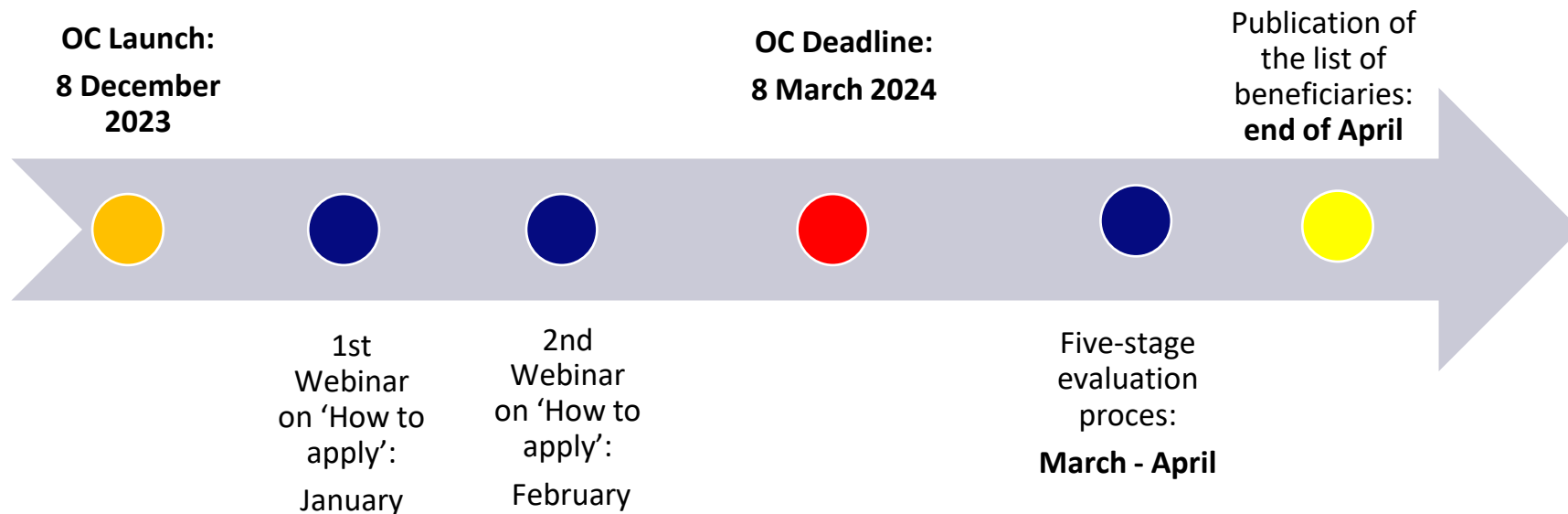
RECEIVE UP TO
€300 000
FOR YOUR REGION



conduct **multi-risk climate assessments** using the CLIMAAX methodological framework and toolbox



OPEN CALL TIMELINE



WHO ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

- **Regions/areas with high vulnerability to climate change impacts** requiring the implementation of Climate Change Adaptation strategies and/or updated Risk Management Plans

Eligible applicants:

- **Public bodies** (including regional authorities, municipalities, as well as public agencies) with **a mandate to develop Climate-related Risk Assessments** and Risk Management Plans in a given region or community.
- **Non-profit legal entities representing a local/regional community** of people with social ties, shared values, or interests, engaged in joint action developing their **activities in areas with vulnerability to climate change impacts** and challenged by climate change adaptation.

The entities have to be established in any:

- [EU Member State](#) and its Overseas Countries and Territories or
- Horizon Europe Associated Countries



WHAT ACTIVITIES CAN BE FUNDED?

- Proposals generating regional/local multi-risk climate assessment
- Following methodological principles of:
 - **coherence** (addressing hazard, exposure and vulnerability),
 - **quantitative approaches** (using appropriate observational or model-based data),
 - **different climatic regions** (incorporating multiple hazards),
 - ensure **spatial and temporal** comparability (allowing a climate risk synthesis across multiple regions and time windows)
- Include activities that address these **3 Phases**

STEP 1: COMMON METHODOLOGY applicable at regional/local scale in Europe

- Multi-risk
- Applicable in any interested region/municipality/community
- Able to establish a common Risk Assessment benchmark across Europe
- Using as much as possible the information already available
- Applicable in any location in EU

STEP 2: REFINED REGIONAL/LOCAL HR ANALYSIS AND RISK ASSESSMENT

- Using local data /downscaling of the projected climate indicators by third parties
- Capable to integrate local high-resolution data and approaches
- Able to enhance regional/local risk assessments
- Applicable by third parties to any location in EU

STEP 3: BETTER REGIONAL/LOCAL ADAPTATION STRATEGIES AND RISK MANAGEMENT PLANS

- Uptake into regional/local adaptation strategies and RMPs in the region/community
- Produce technical documents to support the look for funding to implement the adaptation strategies
- Examples of best practices

EVALUATION CRITERIA

RELEVANCE

- **Ambition:** Alignment with the objectives and activities as described in the call for proposals.
- **Dimension:** Contribution to local/regional long-term policy objectives, relevant policies and strategies.
- **Community engagement in climate change adaptation:** Relevance of the adaptation engagement of the community.
- **European Dimension:** Extent to which the project will support EU strategies

IMPACT

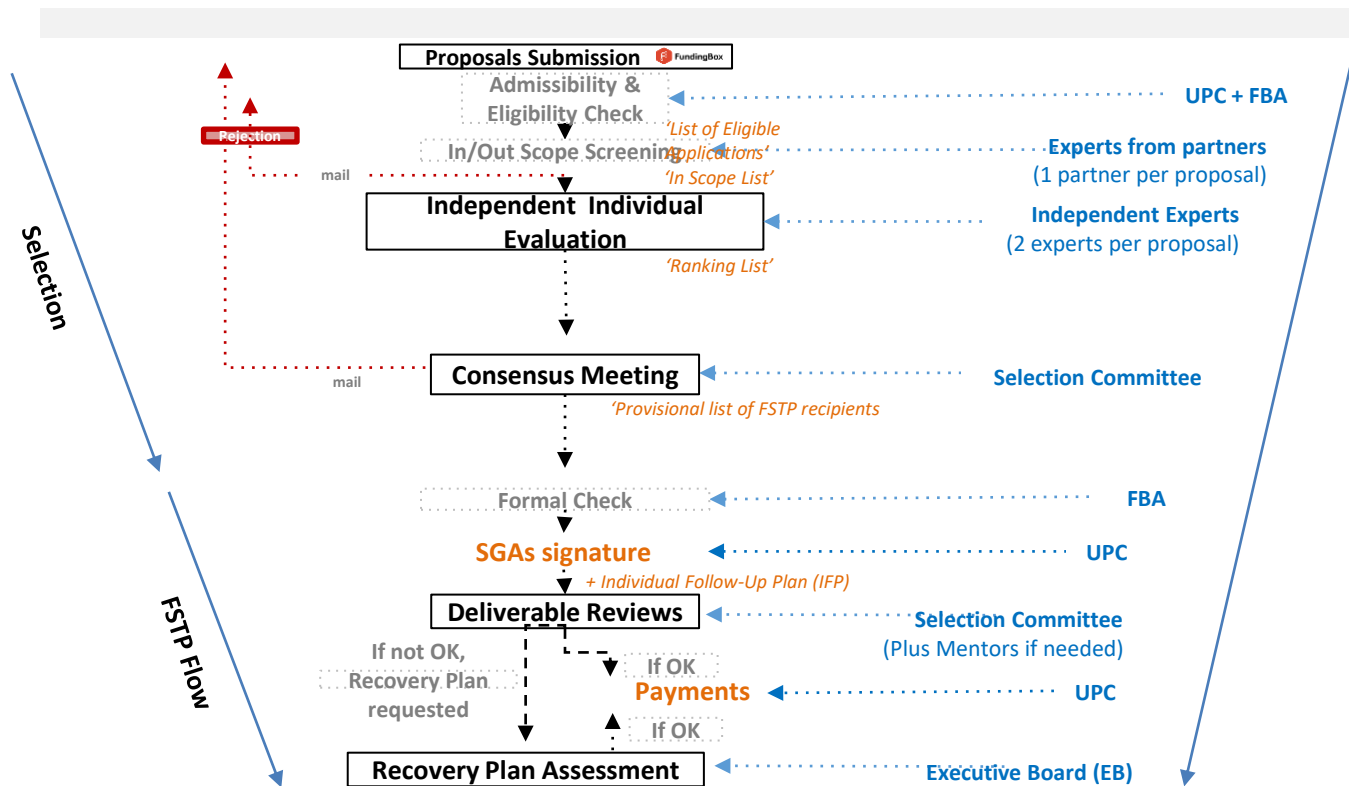
- **Vulnerability to Climate Change Impacts:** Priority given to regions or communities with activities in locations considered as highly vulnerable.
- **Limited resources:** Priority given to regions or communities with limited resources to increase climate or disaster resilience.
- **Expected impact of the implementation:** Priority given to regions or communities in which the implementation will lead to a significant contribution to better adapt the activities/key community systems of the applicant to climate change.

IMPLEMENTATION

- **Team**
- **Resources**
- **Implementation Plan**



EVALUATION PROCESS



HOW TO APPLY?

- **Open Call resources**

Guide for Applicants, FAQ, Application form, CRA Framework and Toolbox, Informative sessions

Guide for applicants

A must-read if applying to the Climaax Open Call. It includes a detailed description of the scope of Open Call and others.

[Check the guide](#)

Frequently Asked Questions

A complimentary document that includes a list of common questions asked by applicants.

[Read it here](#)

Application Form

Kindly note that as the online application form requires the completion of each section to successfully save the progress, this template has been provided to help applicants prepare

Informative webinars

Watch webinars that were conducted to present the Open Call and to conduct the Q&A sessions. Find answers to applicants' questions.

- **Online application form**



HELPFUL TIPS



Remember to **SUBMIT** your application before the **DEADLINE**



Only the **last submitted proposal** in order of time will be evaluated



Submitting your application is **available** only after all the red star marked sections are correctly filled out



You can always **edit** all bookmarks and fields until the end of the deadline, **even after submission**



There is an option to add **contributors** to the application submission page

- **Helpdesk support**

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